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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Lindler, et al.  
Serial No.: 09/785,689  
Filed February 20, 2001  
For: PROTEIN FROM BRUCELLA SPECIES

**Amendment and Response**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is a Response to the Office Action mailed December 29, 2004. Attached hereto is a Request for Extension of Time of 3 months extending the time for response from March 29, 2004 to June 29, 2004. Also attached is a Notice of Intent to Appeal.

The listing of the claims and amended specification (both marked and unmarked) follow.